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ON EARTH AND IN WEYLAND-YUTANI CUSTODY, Davis, Dr. Hollis, and Private Zula Hendricks face very different fates. But the xenomorphic threat still exists, so the mission hasn't ended yet.



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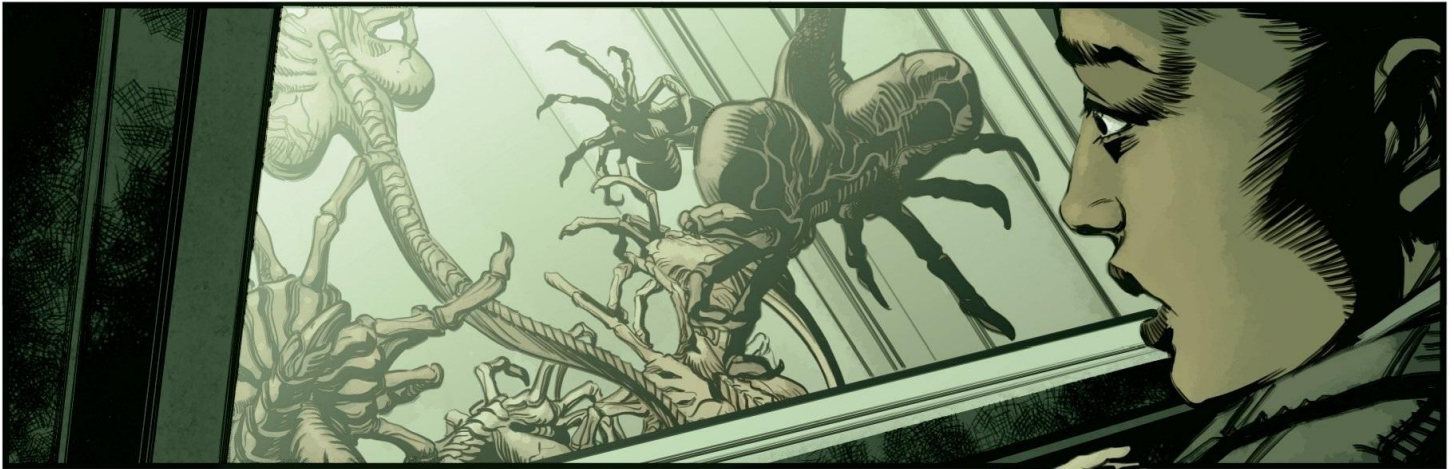
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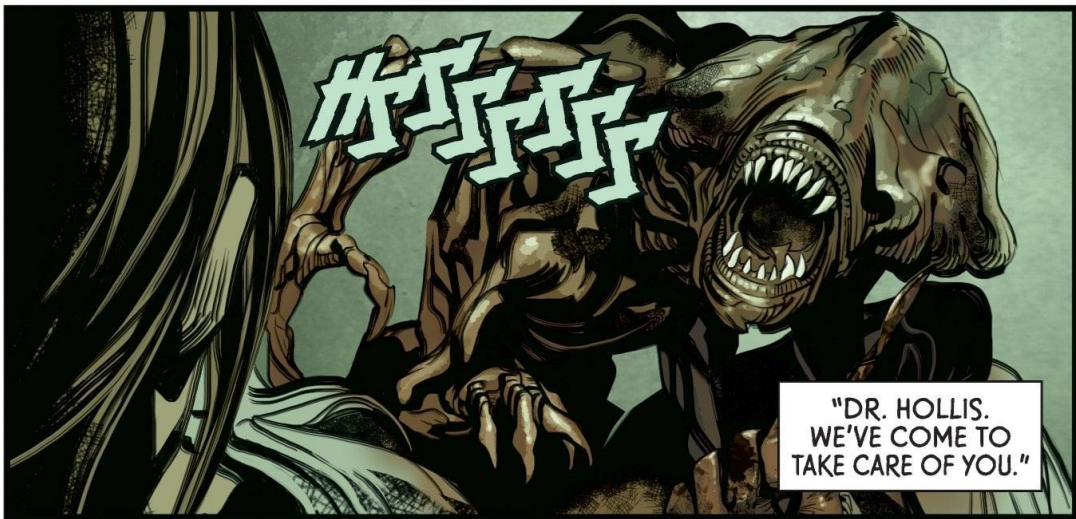
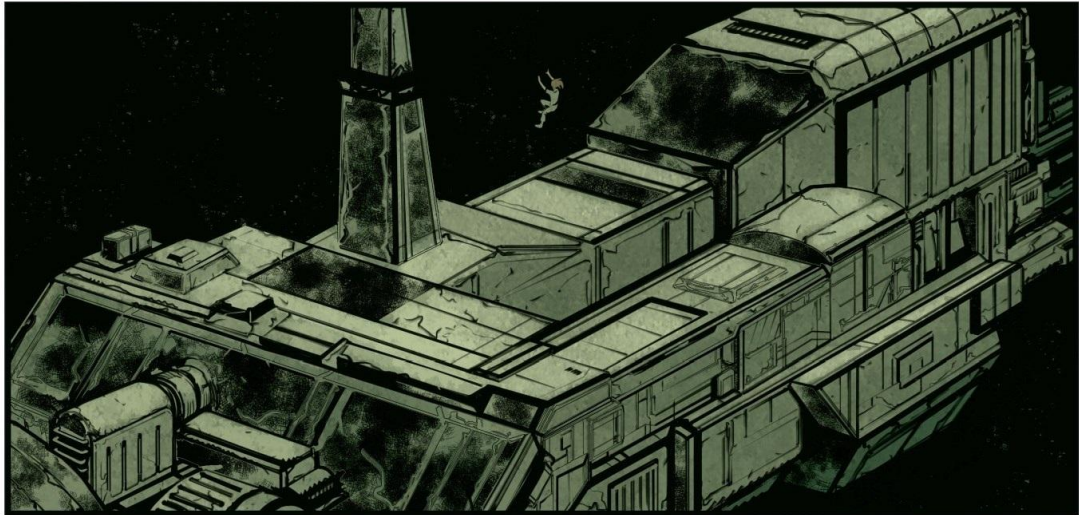




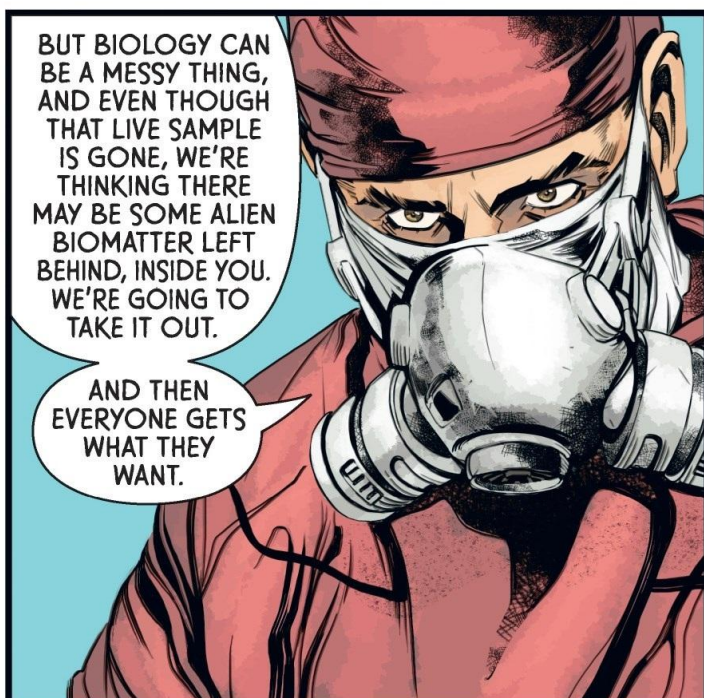
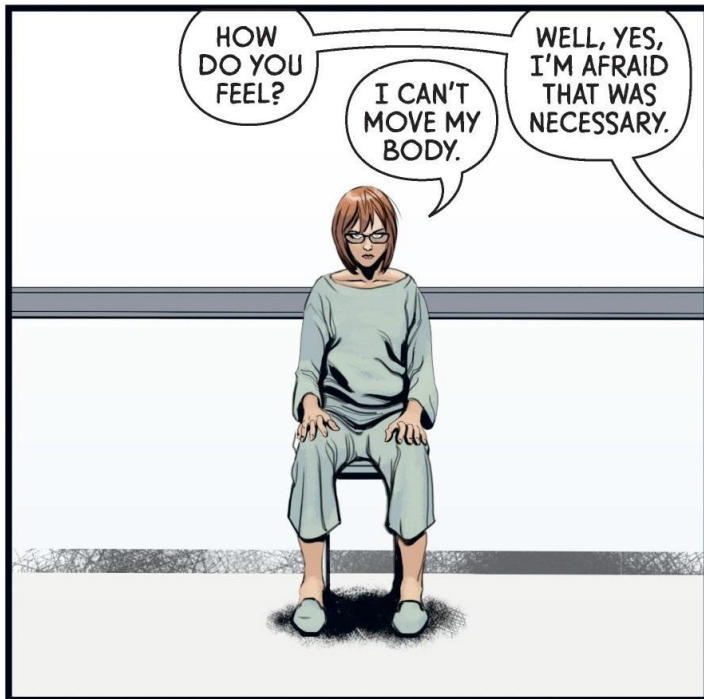
















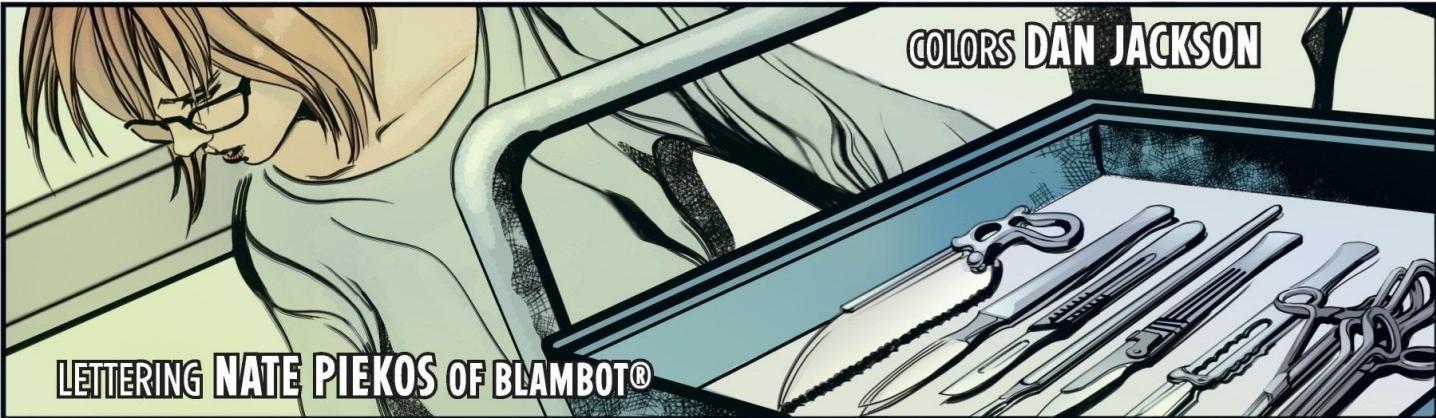
DARK HORSE COMICS AND  
20th CENTURY FOX PRESENT



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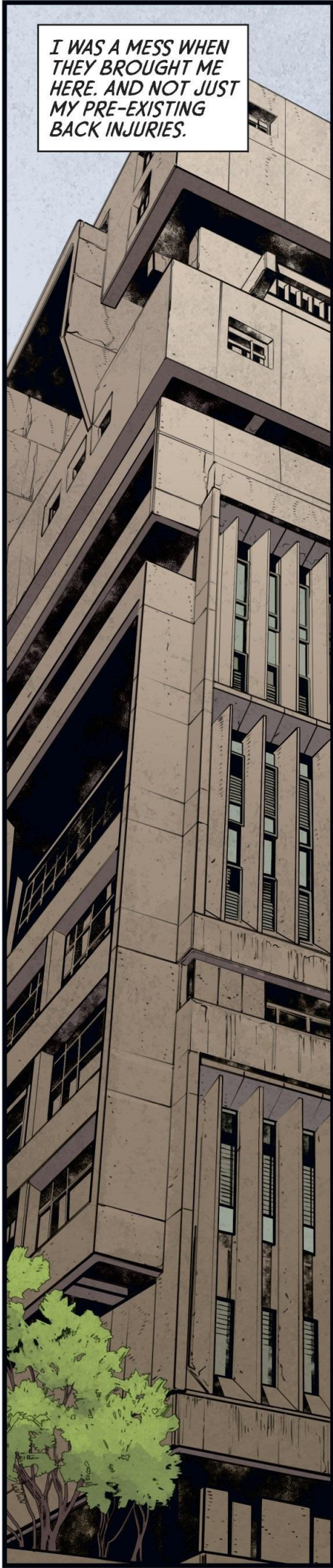
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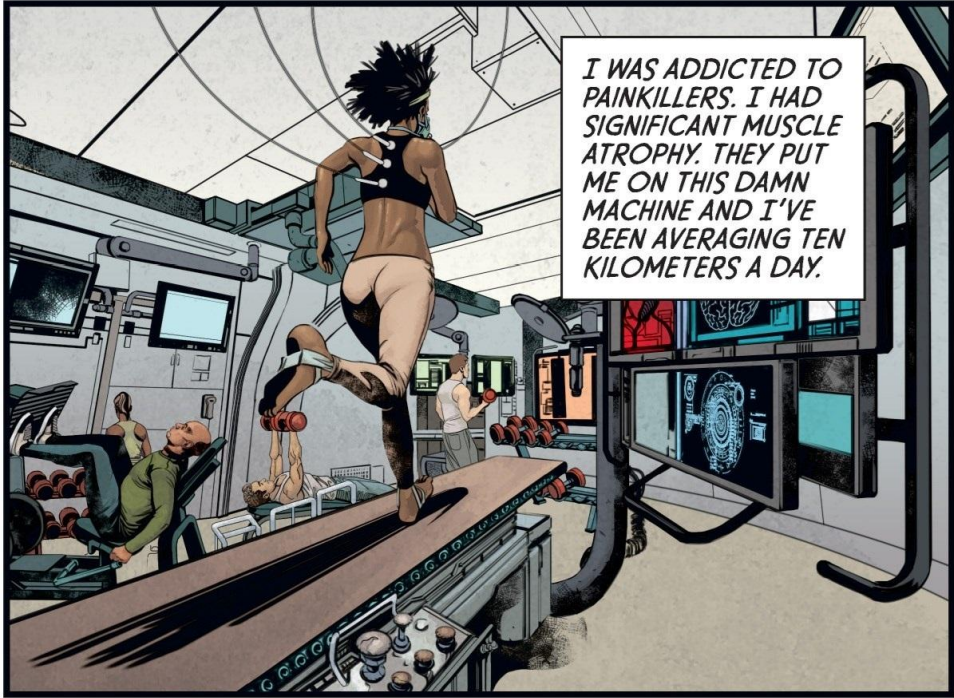


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I WAS A MESS WHEN THEY BROUGHT ME HERE. AND NOT JUST MY PRE-EXISTING BACK INJURIES.

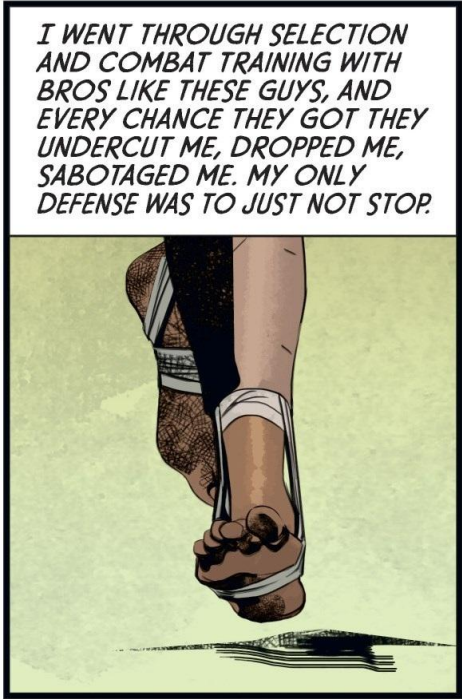


I WAS ADDICTED TO PAINKILLERS. I HAD SIGNIFICANT MUSCLE ATROPHY. THEY PUT ME ON THIS DAMN MACHINE AND I'VE BEEN AVERAGING TEN KILOMETERS A DAY.



MOSTLY TO PISS THEM OFF.

YOU CAN'T DEFEAT ME THAT EASY.



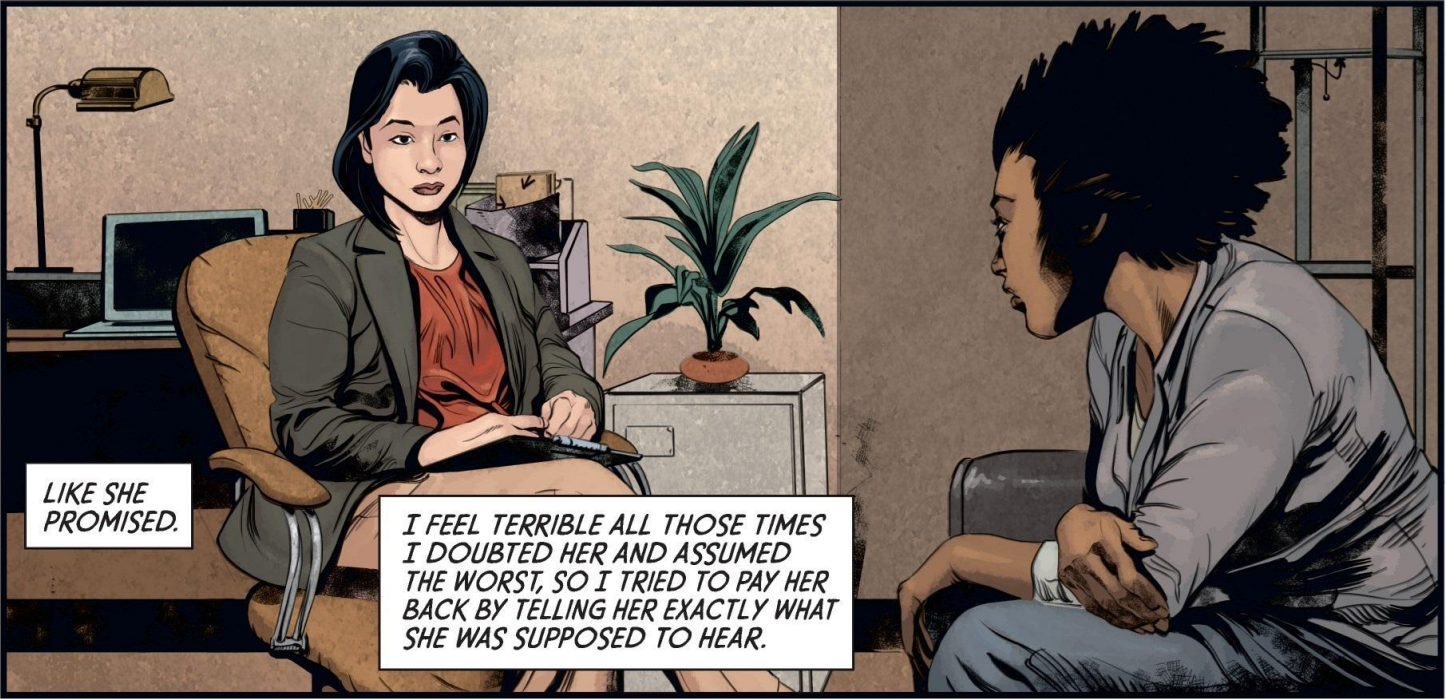
I WENT THROUGH SELECTION AND COMBAT TRAINING WITH BROS LIKE THESE GUYS, AND EVERY CHANCE THEY GOT THEY UNDERCUT ME, DROPPED ME, SABOTAGED ME. MY ONLY DEFENSE WAS TO JUST NOT STOP.



NEVER, EVER STOP.

AND DR. YANG HELPS.





LIKE SHE  
PROMISED.

I FEEL TERRIBLE ALL THOSE TIMES  
I DOUBTED HER AND ASSUMED  
THE WORST, SO I TRIED TO PAY HER  
BACK BY TELLING HER EXACTLY WHAT  
SHE WAS SUPPOSED TO HEAR.



AND SHE'D  
HELP ME BY  
SAYING THE  
MOST CLICHÉ,  
MOST CRINGE-Y  
PSYCHOBABBLE  
I EVER HEARD.

IT WAS A  
FUN GAME.



BECAUSE  
THEY WERE  
WATCHING.



LOOKING  
FOR ANY  
LITTLE  
THING.

TOO BROKEN, THEY'LL  
TOSS ME AWAY. TOO  
CLEVER, I'M A LIABILITY.

"JUST A FEW  
QUESTIONS,  
PRIVATE."

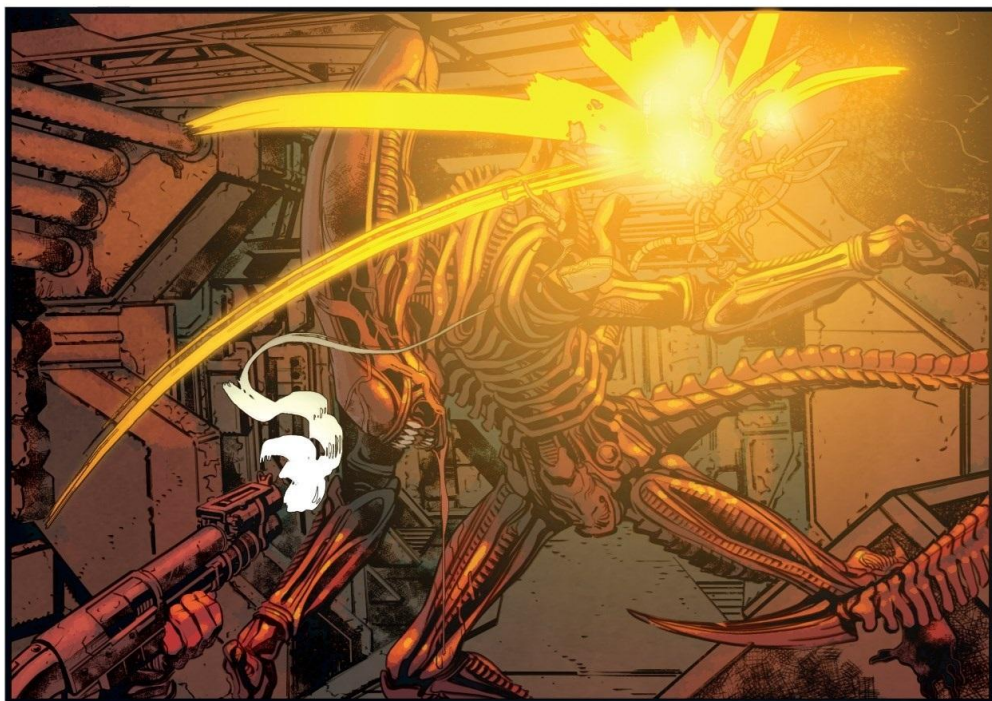
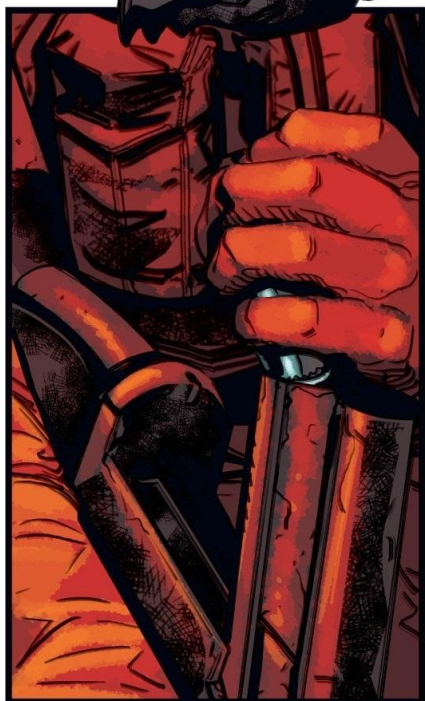
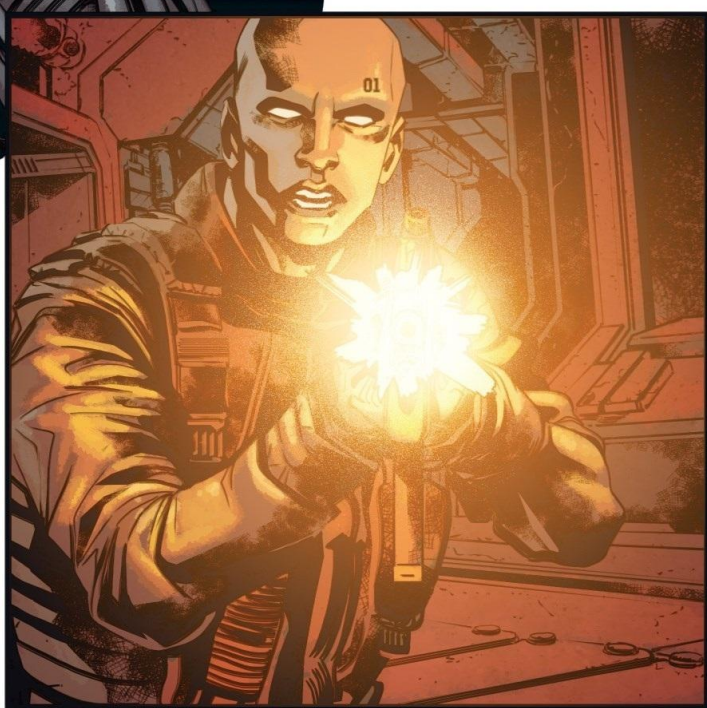
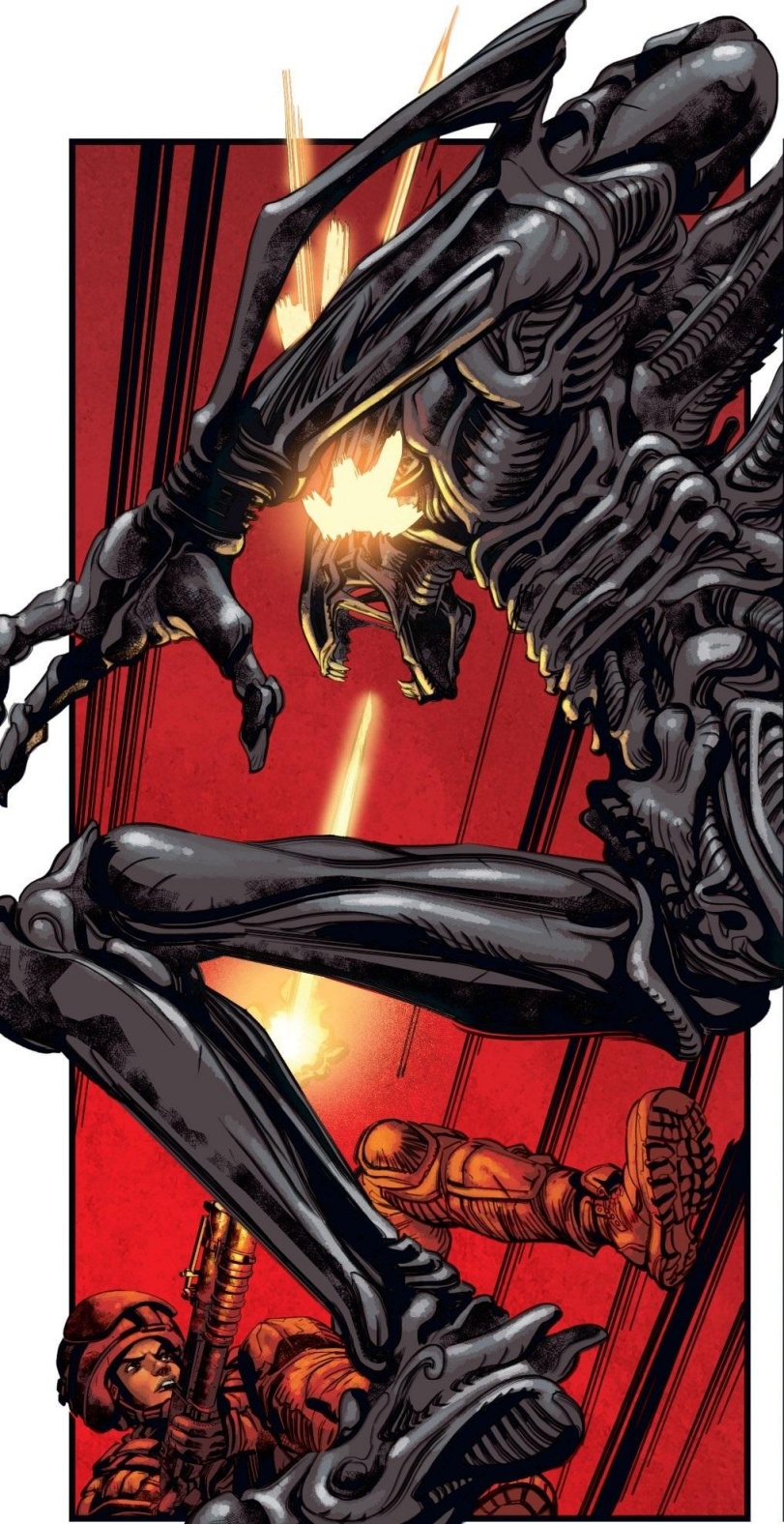




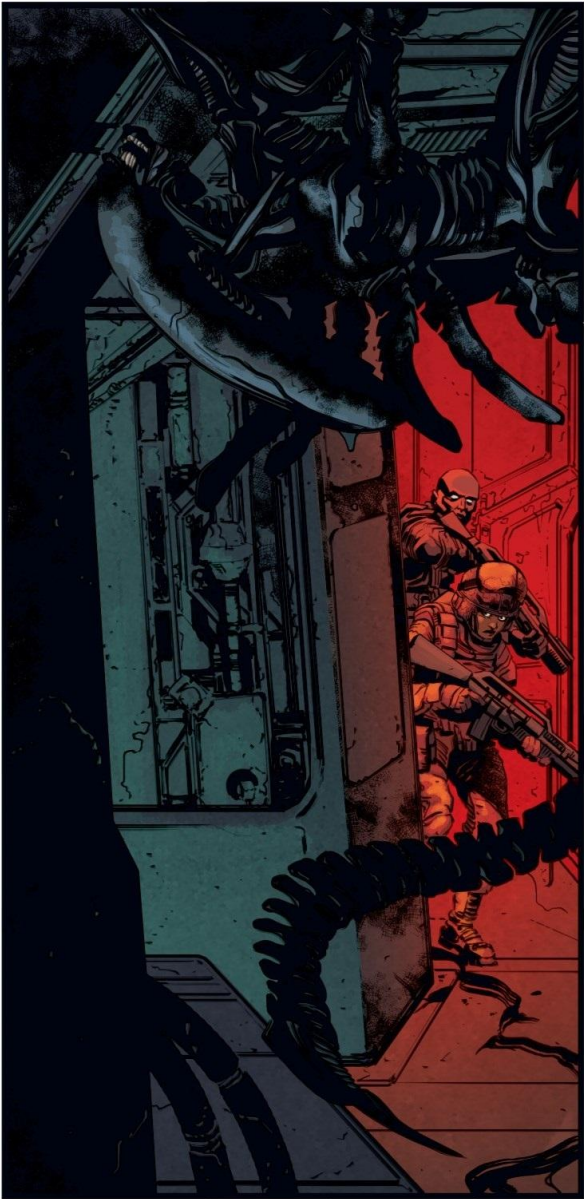








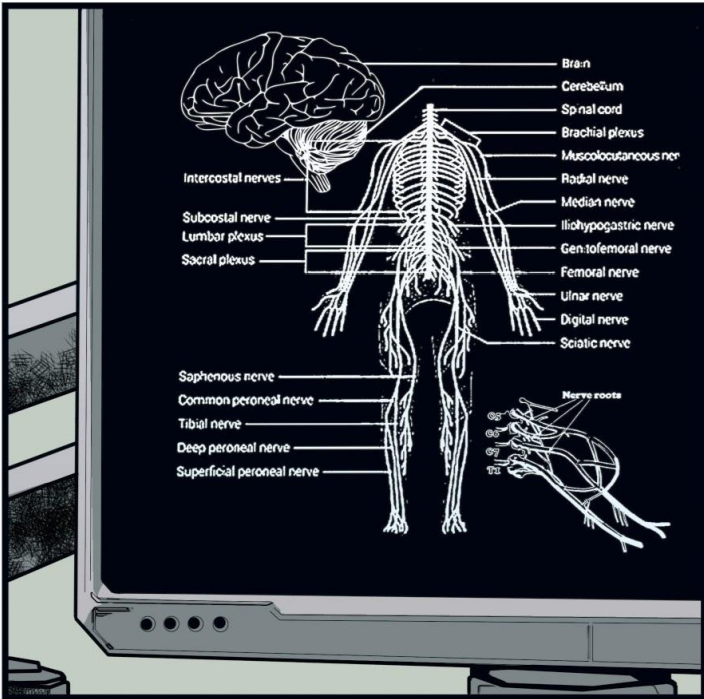
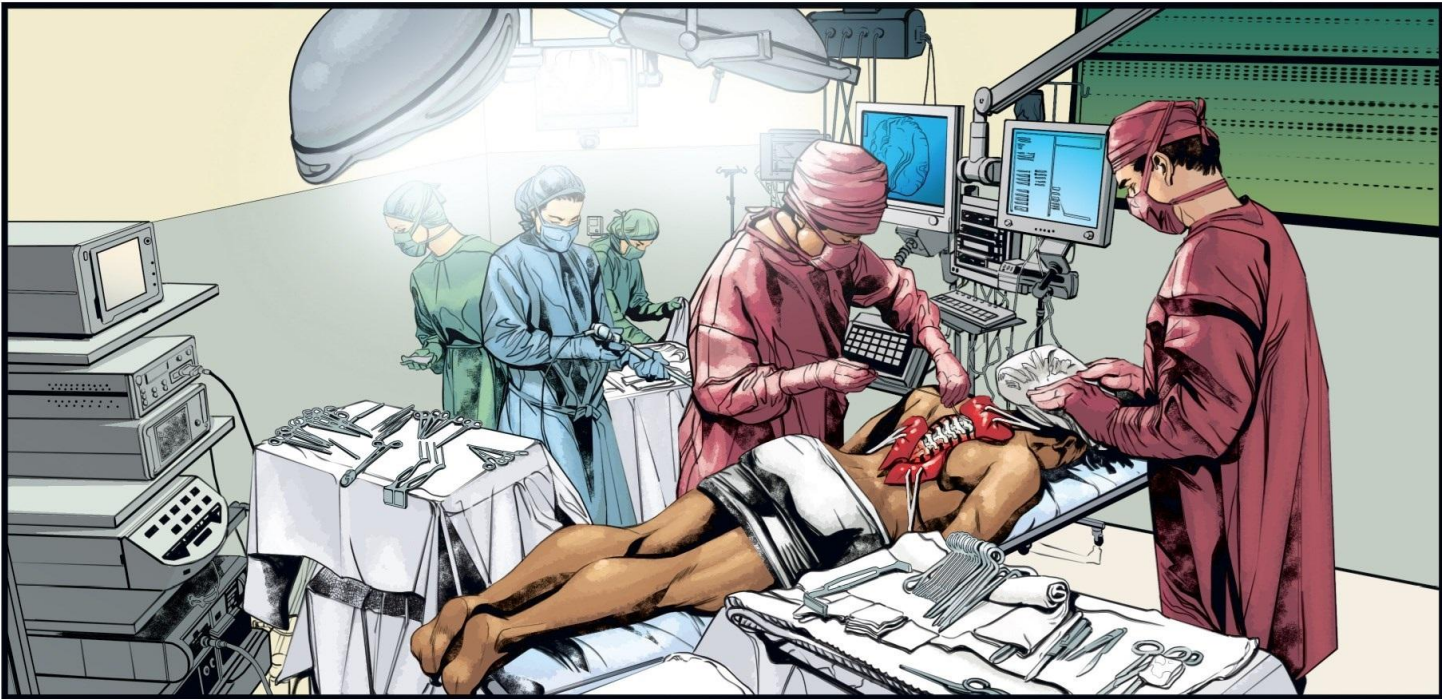
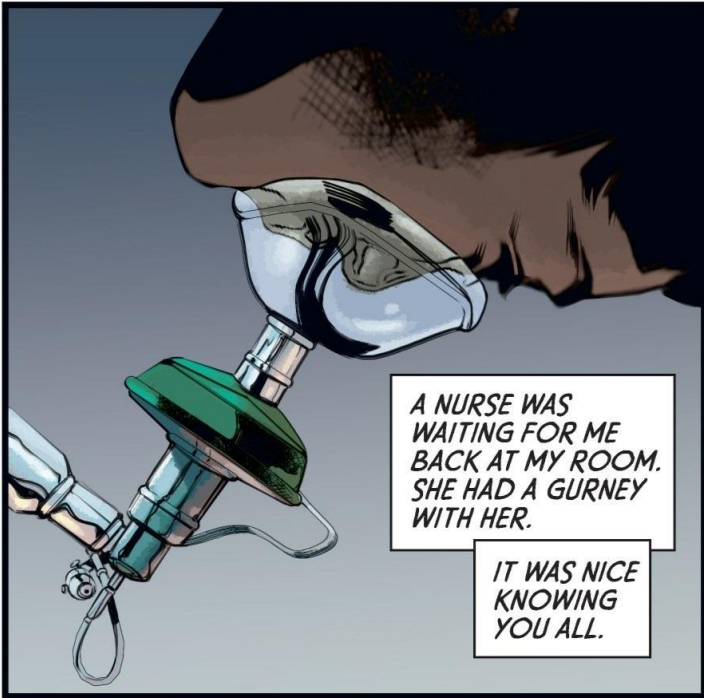
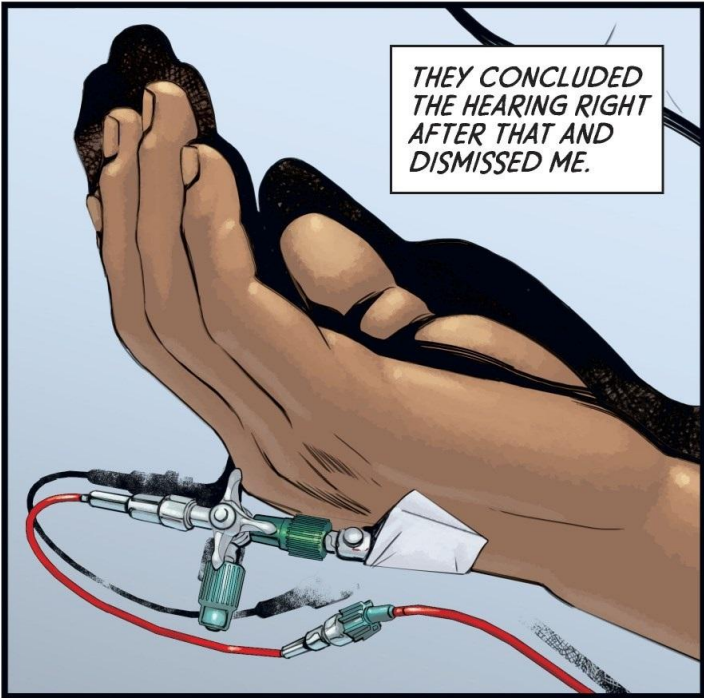




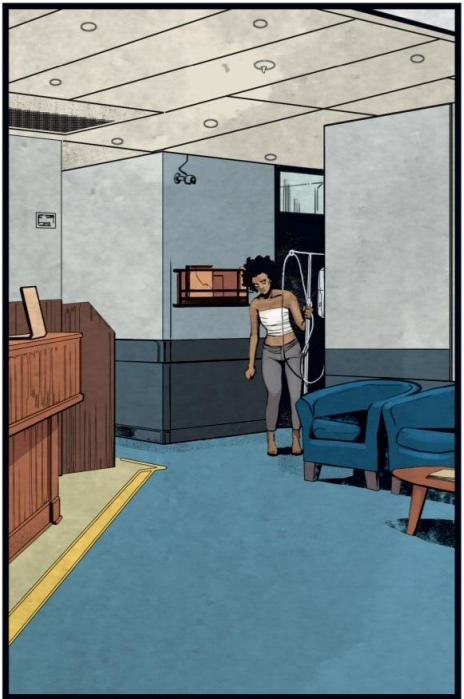
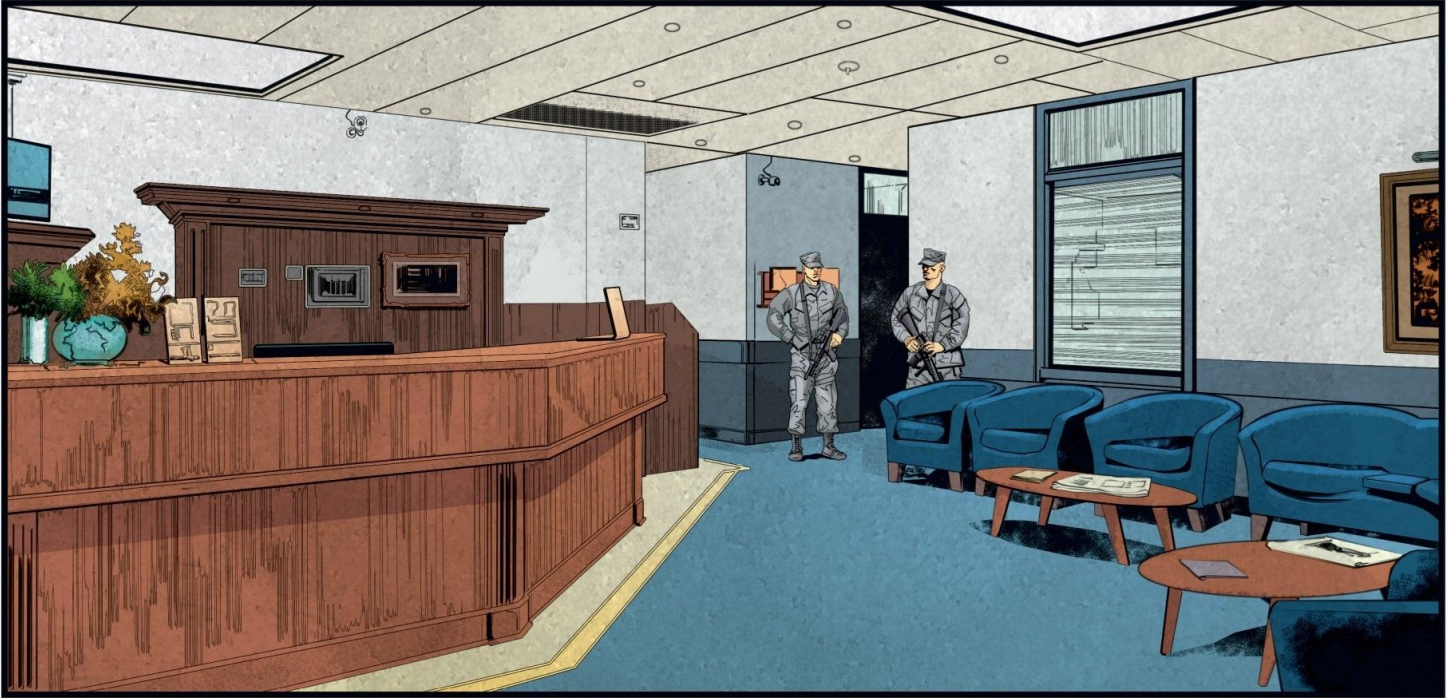




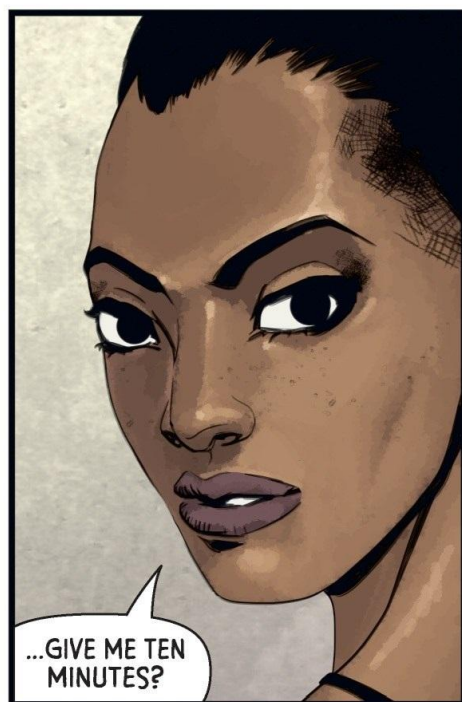
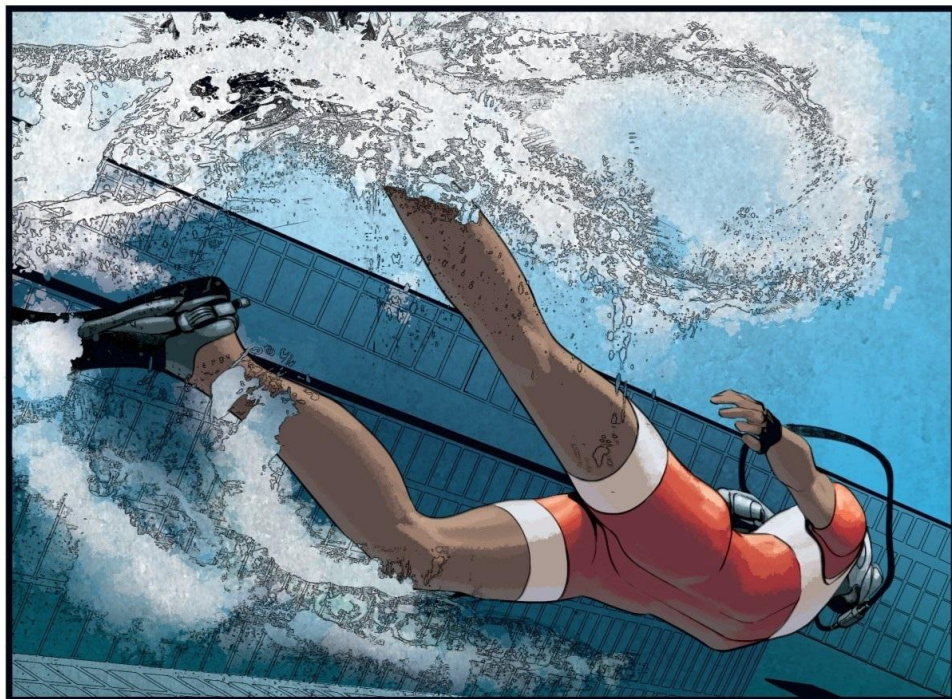




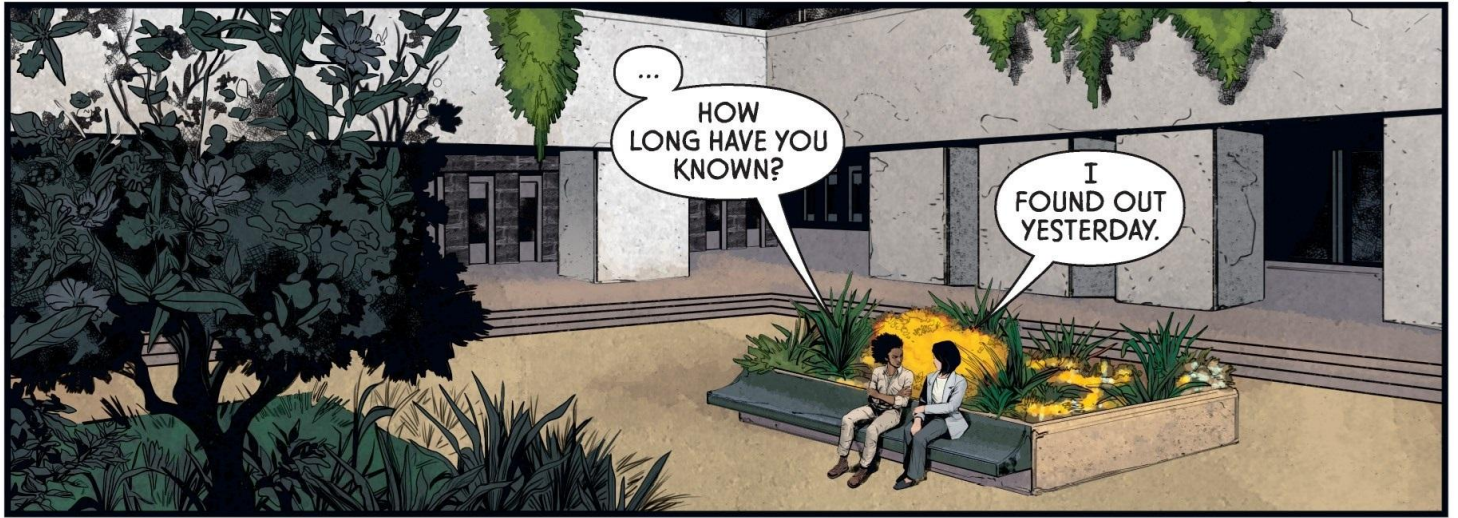












...  
HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN?

I FOUND OUT YESTERDAY.



ZULA, I'M SO SORRY.

THEY KILLED HER...?

WEYLAND-YUTANI WERE DETERMINED TO GET THEIR SAMPLE.

THEY OFFERED ME A JOB, DID YOU KNOW THAT?



THE SAME DAY I WAS KICKED OUT OF THE MARINES. THEY **ACTUALLY OFFERED ME WORK.**

...THEY MADE MY SURGERY HAPPEN, DIDN'T THEY? GOD, I'M SO STUPID...

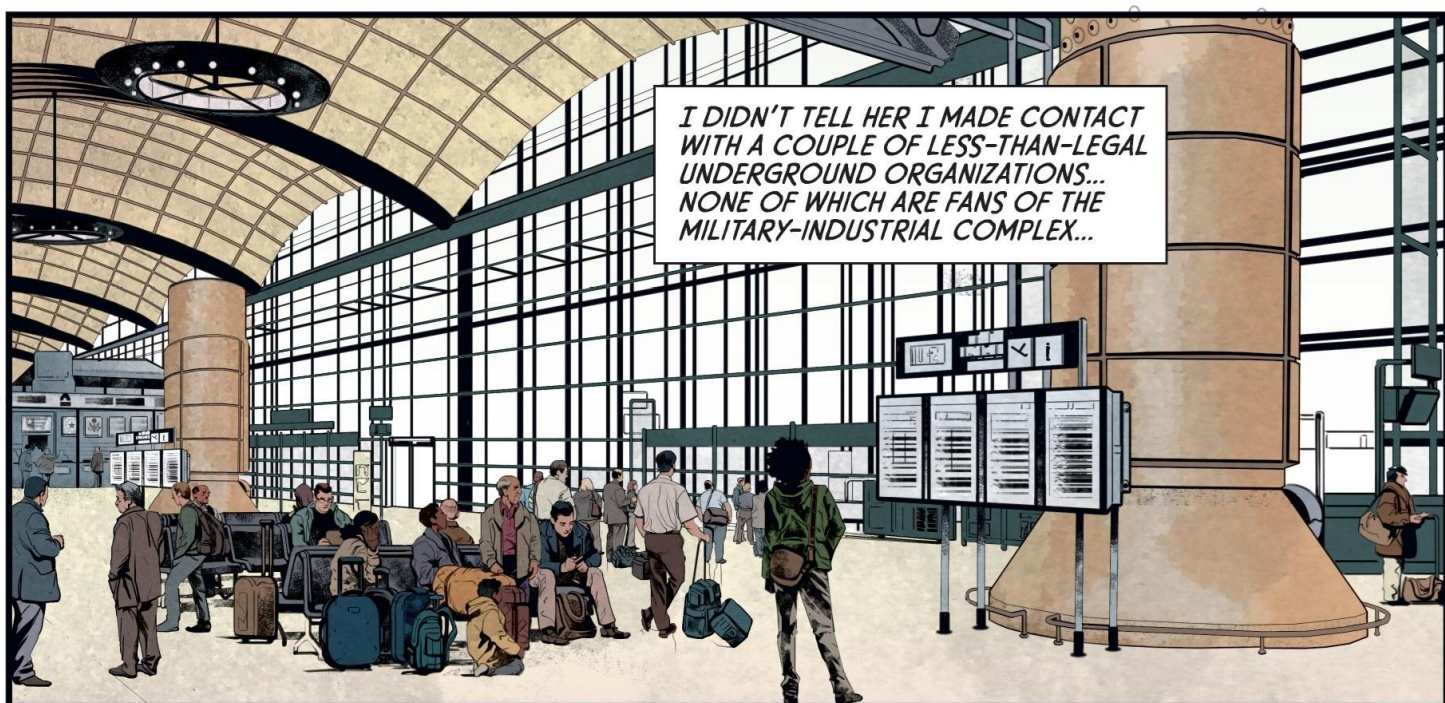
I KNOW YOU'RE ANGRY... YOU **SHOULD** BE ANGRY...



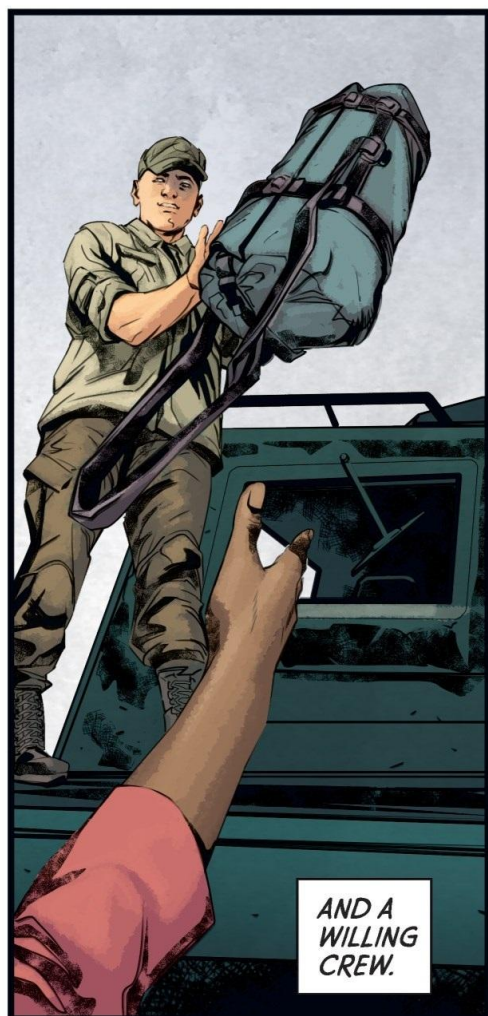
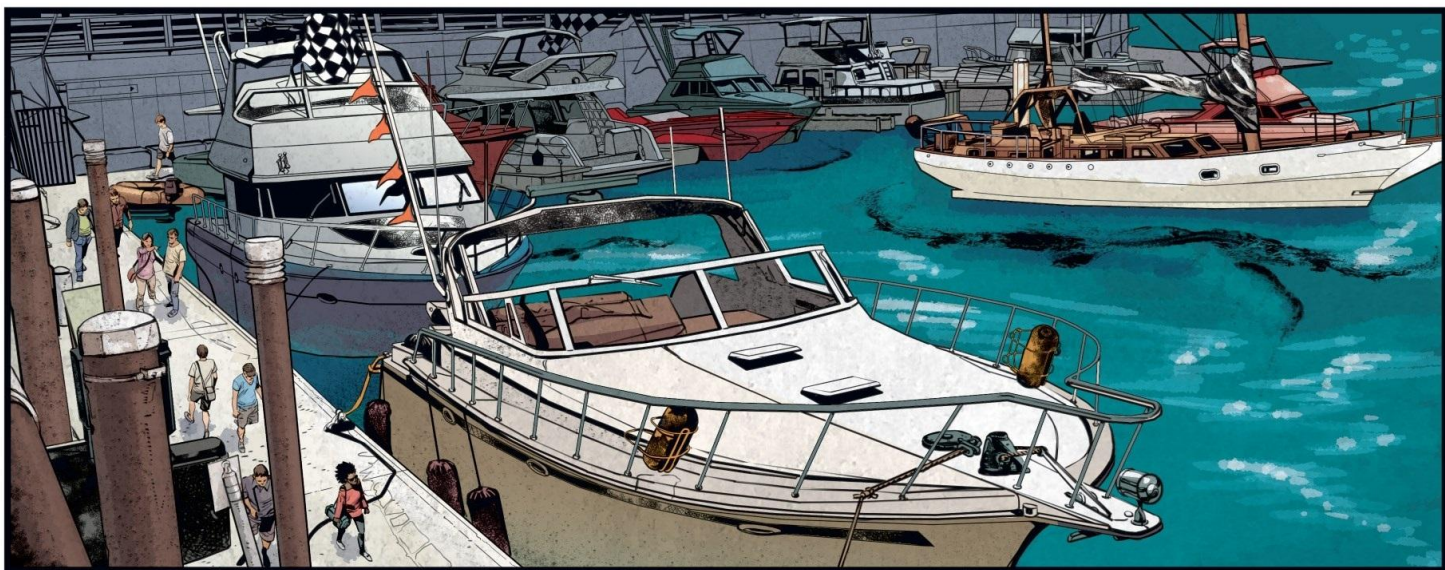
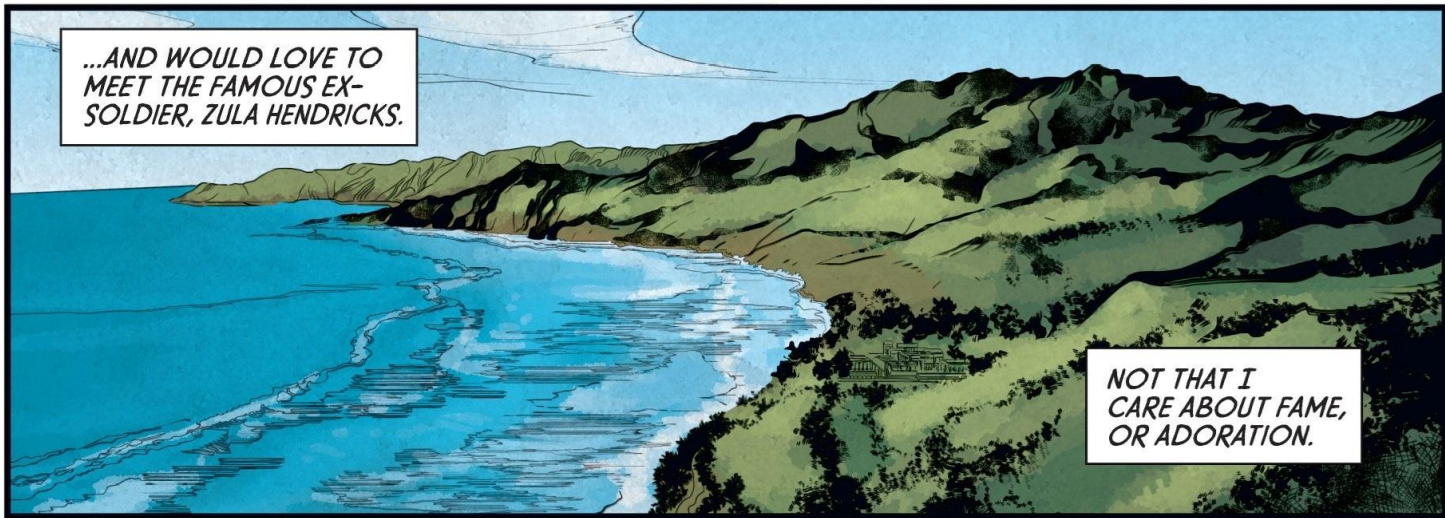
...THE THINGS YOU'RE THINKING NOW? PUT THEM OUT OF YOUR HEAD. YOU CAN'T FIGHT THEM.

WEYLAND-YUTANI ALWAYS WINS.

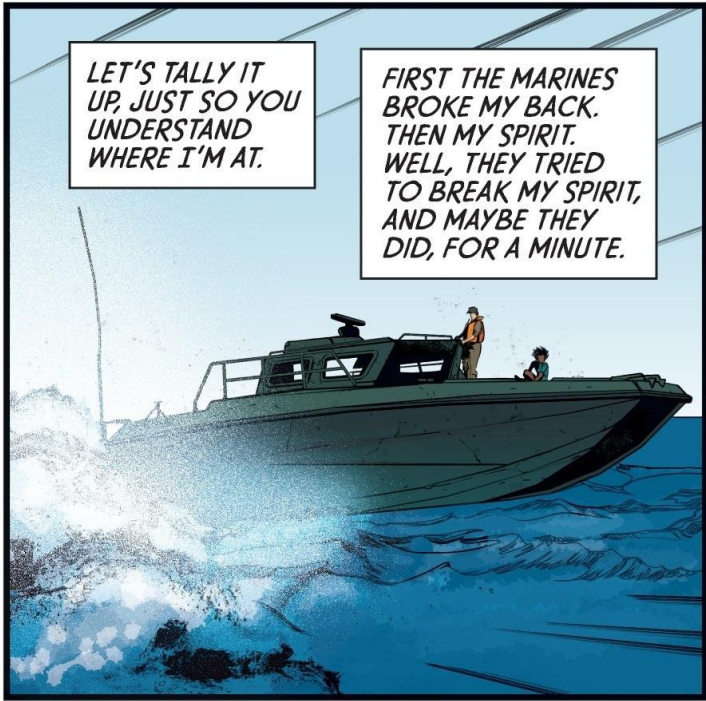












LET'S TALLY IT  
UP, JUST SO YOU  
UNDERSTAND  
WHERE I'M AT.

FIRST THE MARINES  
BROKE MY BACK.  
THEN MY SPIRIT.  
WELL, THEY TRIED  
TO BREAK MY SPIRIT,  
AND MAYBE THEY  
DID, FOR A MINUTE.



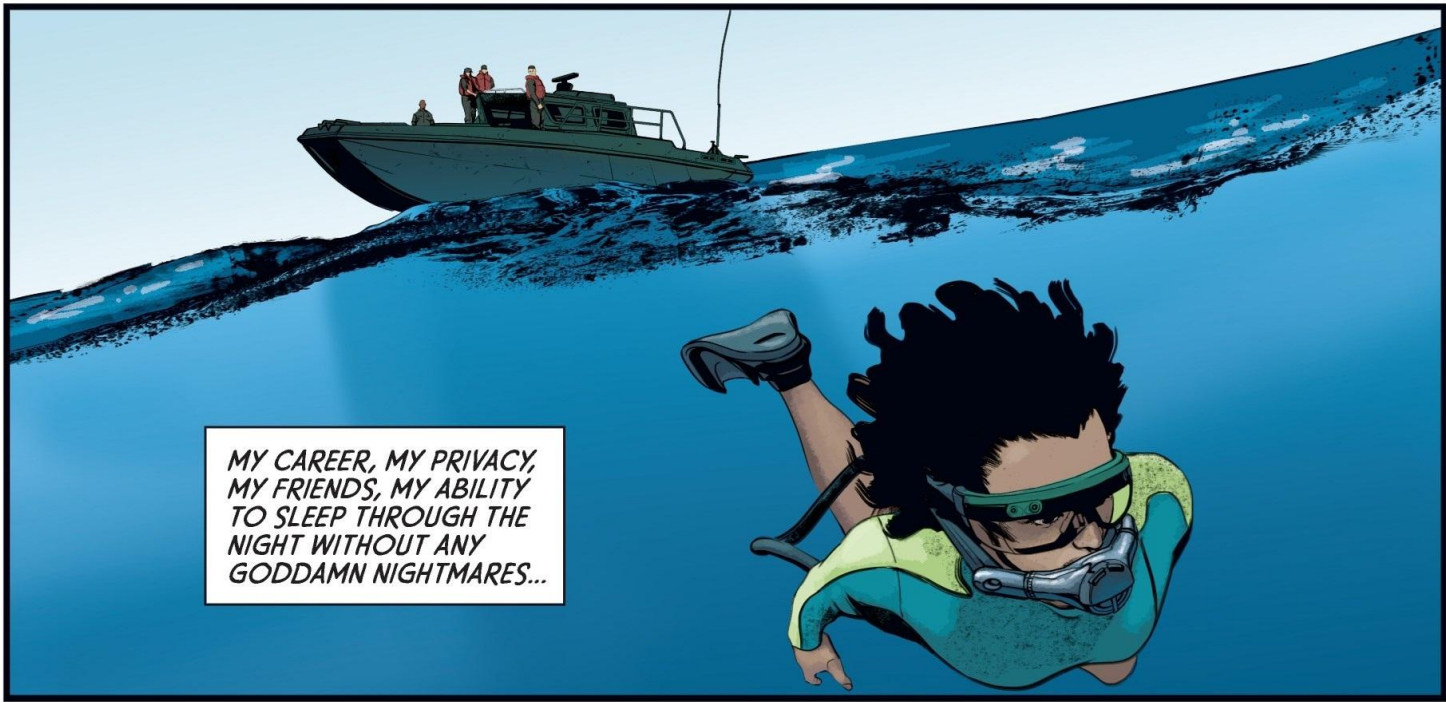
THEN I MET  
DAVIS, WHO  
GAVE IT BACK.  
HOLLIS, TOO.



WHO LOOKED  
PAST MY FIVE  
FOOT NOTHING,  
BACK-BRACED  
SELF, AND ONLY  
SAW THE WARRIOR  
INSIDE ME.



THEN THEY  
TOOK THEM  
AWAY, TOO.



MY CAREER, MY PRIVACY,  
MY FRIENDS, MY ABILITY  
TO SLEEP THROUGH THE  
NIGHT WITHOUT ANY  
GODDAMN NIGHTMARES...





...NOT THAT I  
DIDN'T FIGHT  
BACK. I'LL  
ALWAYS FIGHT  
BACK.



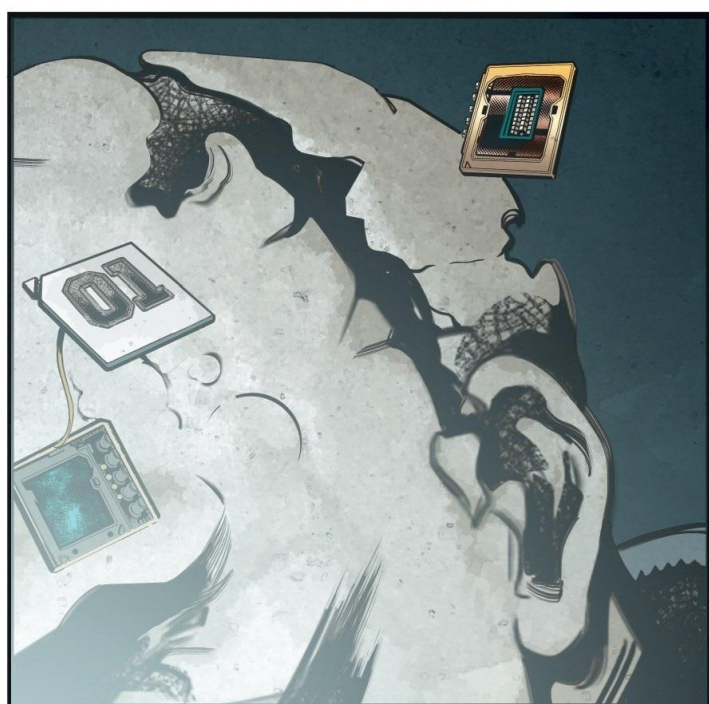
SO I DIDN'T TELL  
DR. YANG ANY OF  
THIS. BUT SHE KNEW  
SOMETHING WAS UP.  
AND BEFORE WE  
PARTED WAYS, SHE  
TOLD ME HOW THE  
DOCTORS INSERTED  
A TRACKING DEVICE  
INSIDE ME DURING  
THE OPERATION.



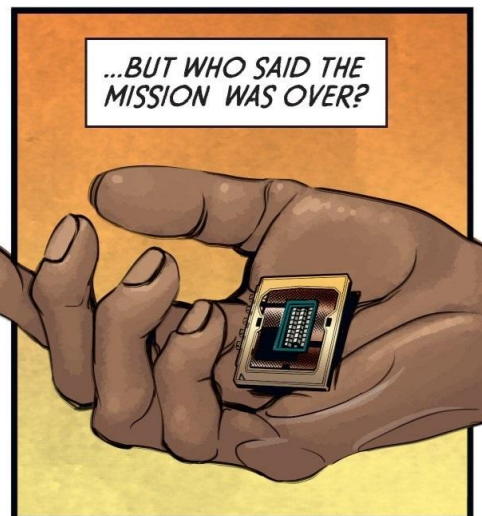
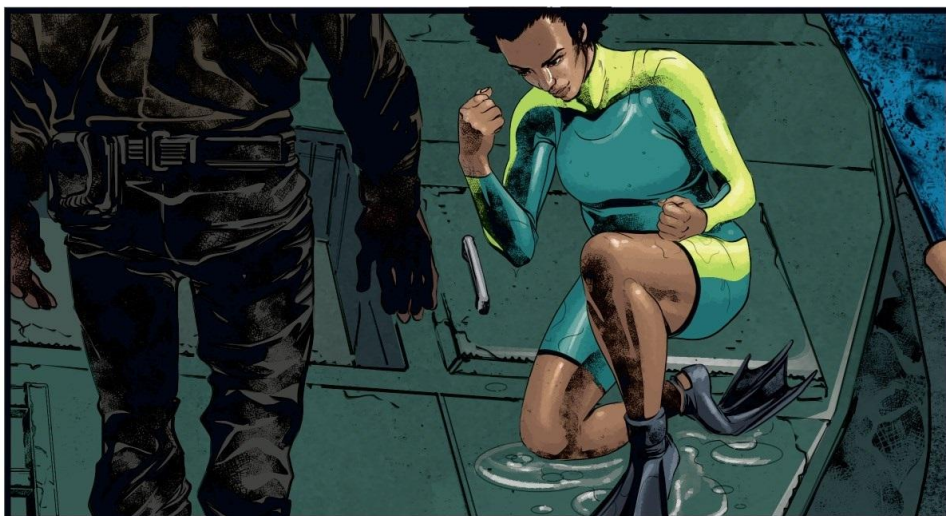
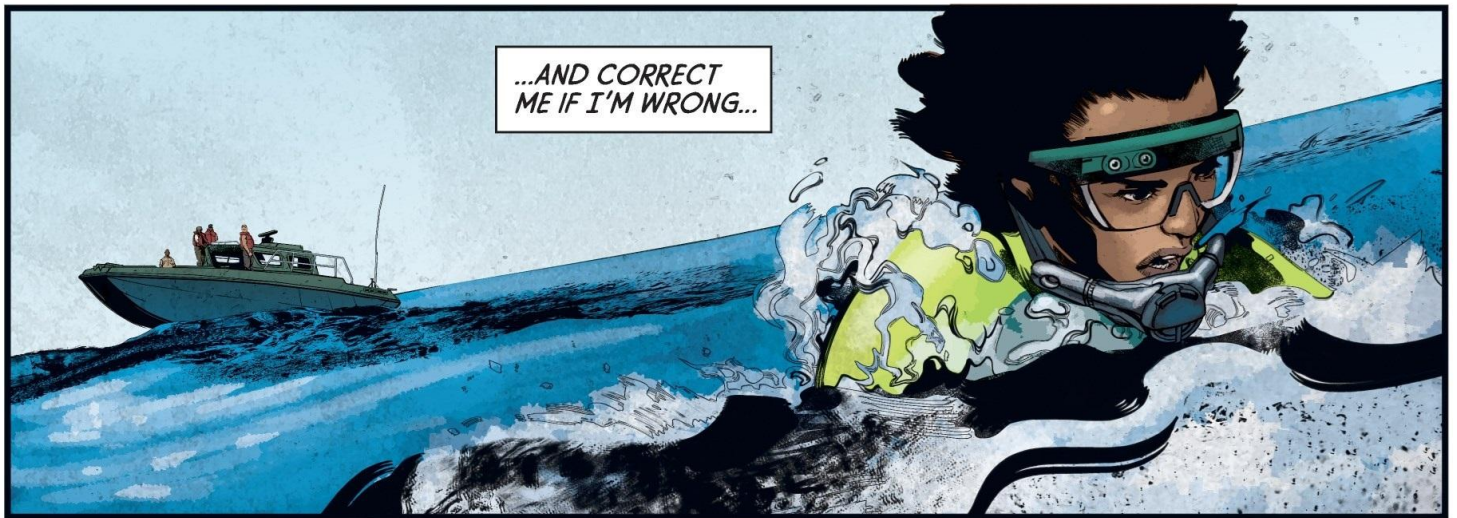
AND SHE TOLD ME  
HOW TO CANCEL IT  
OUT. AS FAR AS THEY  
KNOW, I WENT DOWN  
INTO THE METRO  
SYSTEM AND NEVER  
CAME BACK OUT.











THE END